

quired at one time is so small that it falls within the means or ability of almost every member. If this plan was faithfully carried out by our congregations, the Mission Board would have abundant funds for the work. The kingdom of the Master would be greatly extended in the Keystone State, and a wonderful blessing would fall on the Brethren Churches within her limits.

ALBERT TRENT.

NEW MARKET, VA.

Through your columns we are permitted to hear from the workings of God's people. Brother I. D. Bowman, it made our hearts rejoice to read of the many souls that were made to know and believe that Jesus came into this world to do his heavenly Father's will and to save every poor needy sinner to the uttermost; and Brother McFaden, I shall enclose a small contribution to help you in your great work for the Master in Chicago, and with that I promise my weak prayers. Brethren and sisters we cannot all be together here on earth to work for our blessed Lord and Master, the one whom we have all promised that we were willing to be led and guided by his whole teachings. Then, if we heed this promise we have made to God through his son, we must be up and doing. James 2:17. "Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone." Oh, let us then apply our works not to be seen of men but to show our faith by our works. I sent a very small order for tracts and Annuals a few weeks ago, and I distributed a couple of them last Lord's day, and the following Saturday a worthy young man with professional education came to me and asked me if I could get any more of those tracts and Annuals; he told me he had loaned what I gave him to another young man who was interested so much that he wanted me to send for more, so I shall send without delay. And not more than ten minutes had passed until another young man of a family came to me on the street and said, We want you to bring a minister of your church to our town, and said they had been waiting for us for some time. And his last words were, Don't forget us (none of our members at this town.)

Brethren and sisters let us all wake up this year, for truly the harvest is great and the laborers are few; and if we all work in the faith of Christ, then we shall see each other face to face and be known as we are known. Though there be only one of us in some lonely place or community, yet we can patronize our Book and Tract Committee, with a few pennies, and God will bless our efforts, and some sweet day we will reap the rich reward for our labors, through the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Brother J. I. Hall preached for us a very able sermon last Sunday night in the absence of brother E. B. Shaver, who is at Louisville, Ohio, holding a protracted meeting. Brother Hall's sermon was based on Lot going down step by step to the evil place (Sodom.) Many spoke in appreciated terms in the way he handled his text.

Now one more word, brethren and sisters. Let us all try and see if we cannot raise our EVANGELIST to the 3000 circulation, in this year of our Lord 1897. I am sure it ought to be in every family of the Brethren Church, it is the first paper we read when it comes to our home. I intend to apply the reduction of the price of the paper in sending it to some worthy friend. May the Lord bless us all as a church abundantly, and increase our faith and works, in His name, and may every thing be done to glorify him, and to the upbuilding of our souls, is our prayer.

S. P. FOGLE.

UNIONVILLE, IOWA.

Thinking some one might be interested to know how we have been prospering in this branch of the church I write these few lines. One has been added to the church by baptism since our last report, one by confession not baptized yet. The church has again employed sister Clara Flora, of Dalas Center, Iowa, to preach for us. She preaches for us every two weeks with soul stirring sermons. She is deeply interested in the welfare and prosperity of the church. When a minister shows her willingness to work, and does all she can to advance the cause of Christ she has done her duty, and it stands the church in hand to stand by a minister who thus shows herself an approved workman. We are glad Brother McFaden is having success. Glad to see the children interested. The spirit of giving ought to be encouraged. All ought to feel interested in the work of the Lord. When God has done so much for us we ought to do our part. Then we can see the blessed result of a united effort in the missionary work. Brethren let us live near the foot of the cross, taking God's word for our guide and it will guide us safely on our way.

MRS. GEORGE WHISLER.

ASHLAND UNIVERSITY.

In answer to the announcement in your issue of the EVANGELIST No. 1, by brother G. W. Rench, Indiana State Evangelist, with reference to the payment of the state's apportionment for the University were good, and a word of caution is sometimes necessary, but we fail to see any

risk in paying the money into the hands of the Finance Committee, direct or indirect, as the Finance Committee is not allowed to apply any part of this money until the whole indebtedness is provided for, and that if we fail in so doing, these apportionments are to be returned. These apportionments were to have been paid in last April, some of which is paid and is in our hands now waiting for the balance to come. If the Indiana committee will act in the matter and notify its congregations to remit, we will thank them very much. The apportionment for the liquidation of the balance of the debt of the University is substantially promised. We again earnestly urge upon each congregation, or district, to send in your apportionments as soon as is possible, as the time extended to us by the mortgagees is expired, and we cannot stay them any longer. Money has been coming in from Pennsylvania, and we have learned from Illiokota that they are gathering up their portion, and California and others as well, and will send it in shortly. Let us see who will be the most prompt in your loyalty to the National Conference and to the church of your choice.

Yours fraternally,

Ashland University Finance Com.

JOHN KEIM, Sec.

REMINDER.

We would call the attention of Conferences having instituted funds, similar to Pennsylvania, for "The H. R. Holsinger Historical Theology," that the work is in progress, and means are needed. We would also urge the brethren and sisters of Pennsylvania, who have subscribed to the fund of this district, to send the amounts of their subscriptions to the undersigned as soon as possible.

J. C. MACKAY, Treas.

Meyersdale, Pa.

GALESBURG, KAN.

The meetings at this place continue with increasing interest, although the roads are extremely bad. Thus far seven have come out on the Lord's side. We will hold communion services Feb. 13. A cordial invitation is extended to all Brethren and sisters who can, to attend.

J. L. HAMILTON.

When you want to see God's power, look for it in the mountains. When you want to see His spirit, look for it in the Christian's life.

When we are alone we have our thoughts to watch; in our family, our tempers; and in society, our tongues—Hannah Moore.